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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT : Communist and Anti-Communist
Reaction to the Nixon Visits

1. This memorandum is for information only and has been prepared for you at the request of Mr. Wisner.

2. This brings up-to-date the information on this subject submitted to you in my memorandum of 6 June 1958.

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COMMUNIST AND ANTI-COMMUNIST
REACTION TO THE NIXON VISITS

BUENOS AIRES

Action Against the Communists: An article appeared in the leading Argentine newspaper La Prensa of 27 May pointing out that the attacks on Mr. Nixon were the result of a general plan, organized and directed by a small majority of the population.

GUATEMALA CITY

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MEXICO CITY

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SAN JOSE

Action Against the Communists: (The incidents surrounding the Nixon visits have not induced preparations by Costa Rica for Dr. Eisenhower's visit. A reason for this laxness is the transitory status of public security officers caused by the recent change in administration).

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Action Against the Communists: The attitude of the Uruguayan press was, for the most part, that there is some antagonism toward the U.S. because of North American support of dictatorships in Latin America and the lack of U.S. support at the Buenos Aires Economic Conference last year. One newspaper commented with respect to the visit of the Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs to Uruguay, there is greater hostility toward Russia in Uruguay than there is for the U.S. The fact that there were no demonstrations against the Soviet Minister and his delegation, makes clear that the hand of the Communists was at work in the anti-Nixon demonstrations.

SAN SALVADOR

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MANAGUA

Action Against the Communists: Following the demonstrations in Lima and Caracas the Nicaraguan Senate and Chamber of Deputies both passed resolutions condemning the demonstrations and these resolutions were transmitted to the U.S. Congress.

RIO DE JANEIRO

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Action Against the Communist: According to the press of 11 June Rio de Janeiro police frustrated a Communist plan to demonstrate against Assistant Secretary of State Rubottom during his visit. There were no signs of disturbances.

SAO PAULO

Communist Reaction: The Communist newspaper has ignored the Nixon trip, but O Estado de Sao Paulo, not usually considered to be Communist-influenced, said that the Nixon demonstrations were a flagrant reminder of the political error in which the U.S. has persisted, namely the support of dictatorships and the assumption that racial superiority has lead to more rapid development of the U.S., as compared with Latin America.

RECIFE, BRAZIL

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BOGOTA

Communist Reaction: The demonstrations during Mr. Nixon's visit were led by sixty to one-hundred professional agitators and students who formed a small, but noisy, part of the crowds that surrounded the Hotel Tequendama and were present at the wreath-laying ceremonies. Large-scale demonstrations had been planned, but did not materialize because of preventive measures taken by the authorities.

Action Against the Communists: Most newspapers and local officials have said that they feel Mr. Nixon's trip was worthwhile, fruitful, and that improved relations did result.

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